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Case Docket No. 2260-010

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In the application of: John Edward Silverman

Serial No.: 09/353,723

Filed: 14 July 1999

For: PROCESS FOR MANAGING OWNERSHIP OF A VALUABLE ITEM

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

☒ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted☒ Amendment☒ No additional fee is required.

Amendment Fee has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total	20	Minus	20	= 0
Indep	3	Minus	3	= 0
First Presentation of Mult. Dep. Claims				

Small Entity	
RATE	Addit Fee
x 9	\$-0-
x 40	\$-0-
x 135	\$-0-
Total Addit. Fee	\$-0-

Other than a Small Entity	
RATE	Addit Fee
x 18	\$-0-
x 80	\$-0-
x 270	\$-0-
or Total	\$-0-

 A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.22 July 2002
Date

Respectfully Submitted,

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Re: the Application of: SILVERMAN, John Edward	Date: 22 July 2002
Serial Number: 09/353,723	Group Art Unit: 3628
Filed: 14 July 1999	Examiner: KANOF, Pedro R.
Title: "Process for Managing Ownership of a Valuable Item"	Attorney Docket No: 2260-010

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 24 April 2002, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In The Claims

Please replace claims 1, 16, and 20 with the following:

AI 1. (AMENDED) A new and useful process for managing ownership of a valuable item involved in a first financial transaction between a merchant and a customer, said process comprising:

leasing said item to a customer in said first financial transaction so that said customer is thereafter obligated to make periodic lease payments to said merchant;